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REPLY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, District of Columbia 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Detailed Action dated December 17, 2002, the Applicant responds as follows:

REMARKS

- 1. In response to the Examiner's objections to claims 5 to 9, the Applicant makes the following arguments:
- (A) Anderson ('175) does not disclose a system in which generated focus settings are made available for subsequent use after auto-focussing;
- (B) Anderson et al. ('394) does not disclose a system in which focus settings are used for image manipulation;
- (C) Therefore the combination of the Anderson citations would not produce a system in which focus settings are generated and then used for image manipulation.